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Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Room TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: ET Docket No. 03-104

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE FILING AS TIMELY FILED

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I, Gerald W. Murray, WA2IWW, respectfully request that the enclosed comments and attachments for Docket 03-104 docket be accepted as timely filed.

On the evening of Monday July 7, 2003, between 11:00 PM and 12:00 PM (midnight) EDT, I attempted to submit a comment and three attachments using the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). I was able to complete the cover information and transmit four files. However, after I executed the final step to close out the submission, I received a long wait followed by a failure message. This event occurred three times.

On the morning of July 8, I checked the ECFS system on-line. Although I did find several recent comments, I did not find my own comments.

I called the Office of the Secretary. The staff reviewed the recent on-line comments, and could find no sign of my filing.

The staff advised that I could send a paper "motion to accept the filing as timely filed" along with a paper copy of the comments and attachment. They advised that I should send a signed original and at least four (4) copies.

I am providing a signed original and nine (9) copies of the motion, comments, and attachments. I am also enclosing ten (10) IBM-formatted 3-1/2" floppy diskettes. Because many of the documents contain graphics, I request that the electronic files be incorporated into ECFS instead of scanning the paper documents.

Under the rules for ECFS, comments submitted before midnight on the due date are considered to have been timely filed. If not for the failure, the comments would have been timely filed.

I would like to request a reasonable extension of time to prepare the motion and to print the original and nine copies of all documents (Tuesday, July 8), and to mail the complete package (Wednesday, July 9).

Thank you for your time and attention in this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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